

## PROGRAMME

### Inauguration (Eagle Hall)

0945-1030	Registration and Refreshments
1030-1040	Lighting of oil lamp & National Anthem
1040-1050	Welcome Address & Introduction to BICOST IX by Prof. Veranja Karunaratne, Chairman, NASTEC
1050-1100	Address by Prof. Gunapala Nanayakkara Advisor to the Hon. Minister of Education
1100-1120	Address by H.E Gopal Baglay, High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka
1120-1140	Address by Hon. (Dr.) Suren Raghavan, State Minister of the Higher Education
1140-1225	Keynote speech by Prof. Gehan Amaratunga, University of Cambridge, UK (Quantum Dots for Light Emission)
1225-1230	End of programme of the morning session & Announcements

### BICOST Technical Sessions – Day 01

1245-1330	Lunch
1330 -1530	Group Discussions of four technical sub committees (Parallel Sessions) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee 01 – Prof. Buddhi Marambe – Chairman, Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security (Eagle Hall)</li> <li>Committee 02 – Prof. Sirimali Fernando, Chairperson, Nutraceuticals, and Lead Medicinal Compounds Derived from Sri Lankan Bio Resources (Link Hall)</li> <li>Committee 03 – Dr. R.D. Guneratne, Chairman, Natural Resources and Minerals of Sri Lanka (Albatross Hall)</li> <li>Committee 04 – Prof. Ajith De Alwis, Chairman, Renewable Energy, Energy Storage and Green Hydrogen (Eagle Hall)</li> </ul>
1530-1545	Tea Break
1545-1730	(Compilation of the Policy Recommendation Report)
1730	Announcements and End of Sessions Day 1

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### BICOST Technical Sessions – Day 02

0830-0900	Registration
0900-1030	Brainstorming Session / Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee 01 – Prof. Buddhi Marambe – Chairman, Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security (Eagle Hall)</li> <li>Committee 02 – Prof. Sirimali Fernando, Chairperson, Nutraceuticals, and Lead Medicinal Compounds Derived from Sri Lankan Bio Resources (Olu Hall)</li> <li>Committee 03 – Dr. R.D. Guneratne, Chairman, Value Addition to the Natural Resources and Minerals of Sri Lanka (Manel Hall)</li> <li>Committee 04 – Prof. Ajith De Alwis, Chairman, Renewable Energy, Energy Storage and Green Hydrogen (Nelum Hall)</li> </ul>
1030-1045	Tea Break
1045-1230	Minuting the Brainstorming Session Outcomes
1230-1330	Conference Lunch

### Closing Ceremony (Eagle Hall)

1400-1430	Registration and arrival of guests
1430-1440	Lighting of oil lamp and National Anthem
1440-1450	Welcome speech and Introduction to BICOST IX by Prof. Veranja Karunaratne, Chairman, NASTEC
1450-1455	Curtain Raiser Video
1455-1530	Baurs keynote speech by Prof. S. Sivananthan, Sivananthan Laboratories, Chicago, USA (STEM Education as a Catalyst for Economic Development)
1530-1540	Address by H.E Julie J. Chung the Ambassador of the United States of America
1540-1600	Address by Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha, The Minister of Education
1600-1630	Summary of the Outcome of the BICOST IX by Chairmen of four Committees
1630-1645	Presentation of the session technical output documents to the Hon. Minister of Education
1645-1710	Awards Ceremony–Best Performed S & T institution for the period 2017-2021 Young Scientist Awards 2022 for Research & Technology
1710-1715	Vote of Thanks by Acting Director/CEO NASTEC
1715-1730	Refreshments